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RE: Quarterly Progress Report for January, February, and March 2000
Ciba Specialty Chemicals, 180 Mill Street, Cranston, RI 02905
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Dear Mr. Battaglia:

As required by the modified Consent Decree (CD) of September 28, 1992, I am submitting a stabilization progress report for the first quarter of 2000.

1.0 SUMMARY

Stabilization Plan (IRM)

- **Contaminated groundwater in the Production Area (AOC 13)** -- The groundwater extraction wells 110, 120, and 130 and the pretreatment system are operating at near capacity.

Since the initiation on September 29, 1995, the groundwater stabilization pretreatment plant has processed approximately 135 million gallons of contaminated groundwater meeting the permit wastewater discharge limits for the City of Cranston, Rhode Island.

- **Soil in the Production Area (SWMU 11)** -- Ciba has retained outside engineering services to evaluate the removal of VOAs from the source area.



2.0 DISCUSSION

New Production Well 130

New production well 130 went into operation on December 20, 1999. The well is pumping at the nominal rate of 23 GPM and site personnel are recording weekly water level data.

Weekly water level recordings from 23 monitoring wells were initiated on February 2, 2000, and as of this reporting we have data from 9 measuring events. Water levels will be collected through the end of April 2000, for evaluation and reporting on the capture envelope in order to verify 100% capture of contaminated groundwater.

3.0 SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

- Continue to monitor water levels from selected monitoring wells.
- Next semiannual groundwater monitoring episode April 2000

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact me at 732 914-2537 or fax 732 914-2909.

Sincerely,



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